GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
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RAJIV GANDHI NATIONAL FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME
Lagadapati Shri Rajagopal

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is contemplating to increase the income limit of family of Scheduled Castes to become eligible for Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship for M. Phil and Ph.D. programmes;

(b) whether the criteria of minimum of 60 per cent in Master`s Degree is required for SC Students to become eligible for registering themselves for M. Phil and Ph. D. programmes;

(c) if so, whether the Government is considering to revise the percentage criteria from 60 per cent to 50 per cent to get fellowship for pursuing M. Phil and Ph. D. programmes and also increase the income limit of family to five lakhs; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT (SMT. SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN)

(a) No income limit has been prescribed under the scheme.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) & (d) Does not arise.